

BALLOON EXPANDABLE POLYMER STENT WITH REDUCED ELASTIC RECOIL

5 ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A process for forming a stent of a polymer material which includes the steps of:

- a) forming a generally tubular stent;
- b) radially expanding the stent to produce an expanded diameter stent; and then,
- c) annealing the expanded diameter stent to shrink its diameter to a reduced diameter.

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